The National Circuit Will Open Next Month-New Long-Distance Records Looked For-Racing Men Do Not Pavor an Independent

Some of the best k own professional racing men are now on the Pacific coast, and their performances in the competition races that have sen run encourage the belief that some fast will be made this year on the track. There will be an increased number of riders in both the amateur and professional classes, and the prospects for frequent race meets will furnish ample competition for both classes. Preparations are under way in all sections of the country to put bloycle tracks in first-class shape, and continuous racing is looked for

The "ational Cycle Track Association intends to hold bleycle meets semi-we. kly, and this association controlling tracks in all the representatire cities will provide good races, with liberal purses. With James Michael located in this country, the return of F. J. Titus to the track, and the presence of some of the foreign cracks in America this year, long distance racing will eceive a big boom. Michael, Weinig, Starbuck. Titus, and some of the new distance men that will develop this year will add interest to long distance contests. It is expected that few the short distance records will be reduce !. but great improvement is looked for in dis-

tances from five miles up.

It is expected that the National Circuit will epen in San Francisco about April 15 or 17, and will continue eastward to wind up at the the first week in August. Among the riders who, it is expected, will lead the short distance men this year are Tom Cooper, Earl Kiser, Arthur Gardiner, and Tom Butler. Messrs. Arthur Gardher, and Tom Butler, Mesers, Baid, Zeigler, McFarland, Nat Butler, J. S. Joinson, Sanger, McJonald, Murchy, and Kimbali are riders who are expected to make good records for themselves. Johnson will, in all probability, be among the competition class on the circuit this year. Although now ill in Bradford, Canala, he will, in the event of an early recovery, represent a bicycle firm in this city on the track, and take part in all the this city on the track, and take part in all the olg race. Johnson's specialty is rescord riding, but racing men feel that he will prove a strong co. petition man. The leading racing men are not inclined to encourage the movement for an independent league to govern racing, and its aucress seems doubtful. It is felt that the L. A. W. will have to handle more riders and a larger number of tournaments this year, so that a Racing Boad of strong, liberal-minded men must be chosen to run the racing affairs.

The bicycle agonts in the big houses in this city state that the demand for new wheals this year is very large. The all-important question with the new rifer is, What is the proper gear to ride? Up to last season riders were contained.

with the new rider is. What is the proper gear to ride? Up to last season riders were content with its and 70 inch gears, but now riders seem to think that to use a 68-inch gear is to be behind the times. A well-known rider, discussing the gear problem, savs:

The all-important question of the day seems to be the loss of gear. The new rider is apparently imbued with the idea that it is absolutely necessary that the sheel should cover the greatest distance with the least number of revolutions of the pedals, for setting in his ignorance that in doing this he is bound to increase the propulsive power in preportion. The old rider seems to thisk that

so much harder than the wheel he has just discarded.

The manufacturers unite in saving that the demand for exceedingly high gears has been more pronounced than ever before, and, while knowing full well the evils of the increasing gears, they readily accede to the wishes of their patrons, but strive to counteract the tendency by fitting the machine with eatra long cranks, which virtually lowers the grar to whatit was before, but with the increased disadvantages of a loss of nower through the excessive knee motion and the making of graceful pedalling an impossibility. In ladies' wheels, this is more obvious than it is in those of the diamond-frame pattern, and yet it is a common thing to see drop frame machines of 72 and 76 inch gears recommended by firms. Of course the long cranks are resorted 'o, and then the woman rider marvels why she feels and rides so awkwardly.

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"Theoret cally speaking, the high gear is a splendid thing, but in actual practice it is not so good. When a rider selects a new wheel weighing about a pound less than his previous mount, he in most cases throws away all the advantages of the saving in weight by the addition of a few more teeth to the front sprocket, and then condemns the whee as hard running, when the fault is really all his cwn. Let the abnormal 88 and 80 inch gears go. Try a 72-inch gear with about 63-inch cranks, and see if the results are not much more satisfactory."

In view of the expected visit of well-known in view of the expected visit of well-known foreign riders to this country this year, it is felt that the Rabing Board of the L. A. W. should reverse its record rules. As the record rules are now accepted in this country, no records against time made with standing start will be allowed, as it is compulsory that such will be allowed as it is compulsory that such exhibitions be with a flying start. Now the N. C. U. of England and the U. V. F. of France promulants rules that are directly contrary to the L. A. W. They require that asced that shall be made with a standing start. This difference of record rules and the lack of an international record agreement work disadvantageously to riders connecting on foreign tracks. For example, Michael's records made in this country last year doctors. tracks. For example, Michael's records made in this country last year do not receive recognition stroad, and J. S. Johnson's foreign records are not accented in this country. In justice to the racing men it seems only fair that the racing associations in control is the different countries should come to some understanding on the record question by which records properly made in one country will, if entitled to classification as a world's record, receive such recognition throughout the universe. American riders frequently compets a road, and a number of prominent foreign riders are expected in America this season, so riders are expected in America this season, so that early action should be taken.

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The success which has attended the local blevele shows recently held in Boston, Philadelphia, and other cities will have considerable weight with the National Cycle Board of Trade in determining whether it will be practical to abandon hatlonal shows in the future. The sentiment of the big manufacturers is in favor of local shows, and the fact that the exhibits held in the various cities during last month were very successful will help to abolish the big Eastern and Western shows. A leading manufacturer informed The Sun reporter that the Chicago and New York shows cost his firm this season about \$3,000, and they feel this sim of money is in excess of what they should sum of money is in excess of what they should pay for exhibit purposes. In addition they are compelled to help their agents at the local shows, so that the bloyde show craze is a very expensive business as conducted at the present time.

n lis sixth year of existence, has increased rom 25,000 to 47,000 members during the ast twelve months. This growth is due to the

nesus division of the L. A. W., who took an active part in the deliberations of the L. A. W., who took an active part in the deliberations of the L. A. W. at the National Assembly meeting last month, comments on some of the measures taken by the leasure as follows: "The action on the Sonday racing question, indicates the general character and temper of the assembly. Alamai clement in the leasure, backed, I think, by men who are more into ested in making mensy as race need nor noters than they are in the L. A. W. tried to have the assembly indure Sunday racing, but the proposition was tarned down by a very large majority, so arge that some of the minority week. here Sunday racing, but the proposition was med down by a very large majority, so see that some of the minority went away ling sore. The question was settled on reiv loainess principles and the religious are of it was scarcely mentioned. When it, A. W. sanctions a race it practically os in and runs the race itself under its own occas or reor, sensatives, and it is immaliated in what part or the United States it occas, it is an act of the L. A. W. There is no existent that the overwhelming sentiment of people in the United States whose approval induced the League of American Wheeling induced the League of American Wheeling in other words, the L. A. W. should keep the continuation of that is of citizens who ride for business and sare, and who are attracted to us by our factor induced in husiness and political circles, two does not business and political circles, two does not seen the sould be driven from us by Sunday rac-

Announcement is made of the engagement of M. Adele Barrow of this city to the Rev. Rockand Tyng Homans of St. Matthew's Church, a Barrow is the only daughter of Mr. and dames T. Barrow of 165 West Fifty-eighth et, and is a granddaughter of the late John flags. Mr. Homans is the grandson of the Dr. Tyng, formerly rector of St. George's strek.

AMONG ATHLETIC CHRISTIANS.

Active Preparations in Local Branches for the

From present indications the coming season will be a busy one for the athletes connected with the Y. M. C. A. of this city and Brooklyn. The Y. M. C. A. Athletic Learne of North America will have full charge of all ed to govern all events in their respective districts. This month will see the close of the basketball season for a greater number of the branches, and then active preparations will be made for the soring season. Baseball and tennis will be indulged in by some, while others will devote their time to cycling and rewing. The association will be greatly hampered in outdoor training this season owing to the cutting up of the Mott Haven grounds, but it is said that new quarters will be secured in a short

The athletic work at the Twenty-third street tranch has been booming. The bowling teem carried off the honors in the interbranch league, while the basketball teams (first and second) have proved stumbling blocks to all opponents. The only defeat sust ained by the nest team throughout the season was at the hands of the New Britain Y. M. C. A. The results of the basketball games played up to

First team, 33; Deaf-Mutes, 8. First team, 33; Trangles, 6. First team, 46; New Rochelle, 8. First team, 35 New Rochelle, 2. First team, 46; Twen ty-sixth Ward Y. M. C A., O. First team, 68; You kers Y. M. C. A., 4. First team, 32; Harlem Y. M. C. A., 2 First team, 67; Huguenot A. C., 8. First

C. A., 2 First team, 67; Huguenot A. C., S. First team, 35; Bay Ridge A. C., 13, First team, 18; Harleim Y. M. C. A., 10. First team, 40; Institute Y. M. C. A., 2. First team, 19; Stamford Y. M. C. A., 2. First team, 19; Stamford Y. M. C. A., 5. First team, 40; Paterson Y. M. C. A., 5. First team, 40; Paterson Y. M. C. A., 5. First team, 41; Now Britain Y. M. C. A., 15. First team, 32; Yale University of First team, 52; Young Men's League, 7. Total points by first team, 523; Opponents, 69.

Second team, 18; German Branch Y. M. C. A., 9. Second team, 18; Vermilyea A. C., 1, Second team, 10; Knickerbocker A. C., 3. Second team, 17; Lenox A. C., 5. Necond team, 10; C., 14. Second team, 7. Second team, 12; Harleim Y. M. C. A. second team, 34; Hanover A. C., 14. Second team, 34; Hanover A. C., 6. Second team, 38; Harleim Y. M. C. A., 3. Second team, 39; Harleim Y. M. C. A., 3. Second team, 39; Harleim Y. M. C. A., 13. Second team, 35; Areiphi Academy, 10, Second team, 41; Total points by second team, 31; Opponents, 83.

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Summit Y. M. C. A., O. Second team, 34; Washington Heights Y. M. C. A. second team, 31. Total points by second team, al8; opponents, 83.

There has been an increased activity among the gymnasium members of the Young Men's Institute. Arrangements have been made for the athietic contest of the advanced classes to be held at the Institute Hall on Aoril 27. The basketball team has been very successful thus far it is season, having lest only three games out of the twenty-six played. Quite some interest is being displayed in the individual handleap bowling tournament which will be olayed among the members, beginning the latter part of this month. The next set of indoor games will be held next Wednesday in the gymnasium and will consist of three standing broad jumps putting the twelve-poind shot, hop, siep, and jump, and a mile bicycle race on the new bicycle trainer.

Physical Director Smith of the Harlem branch is mapping out a large programme of events for the coming season. The interest shown by the available material at the branch gives promise of the turning out of good track and baseball teams. The only drawback will be training grounds, but it is likely that error of at 135th street and Lenox avenue will be hired. The committee in charge of the available material is not active to have a large and altractive programme of events, including a game of basketball and wrestling.

Arrangements are being peffected for the gymnastic, athletic, and bicycle carnival of the Brooklyn Y. M. C. A. bran hes to be held at the Cycle Club on March 16. One of the new features will be the drilling of more than 200 men at one time. The order levent will be the basketball game between Yale University and the Central branch of Brooklyn. The Centrals have arranged the following schedule for the balance of the season:

March 11, Stamford Y. M. C. A., at Stamford: 18, Temple College, at Philadelphia. 16, Yale University and the Central branch of Brooklyn. The

March 11. Stamford Y. M. C. A., at Stamford; 18. Temple College, at Philadelphia; 16. Yale Univer-sity, at Broomyn; 17. Mount Vernon Y. M. C. A., at Mount Vernon; 26. Trenton team, at Brooklyn.

Adelphi Academy Defeats Brooklyn High

After an interesting series of games the Long Island interscholastic handball tournament came to a close at the courts of the Central Branch Y. M. C. A. in Brooklyn yesterday morn-ing. "Poly Prep" School carried off the championship honors last week, and the game yester-day was between Brooklyn High School and

Adelphi Academy for second place. Adelphi Academy put forth its best players, while, with the exception of Guest, High School was very weak. Eight games had to be played before a decision could be reached. Adelphi won and took second place. Summary: Guest (High School) 1 1 3 1 1 2 2 3 4 2 1—21 Langdon (Adelphi) ... 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 3 6 5—20 Hackhouse (Adelphi)... Colton (High School)...

Langdon (Adelphi) 2 2 2 1 0 6 4 4-21 Colton (High School) 0 0 0 2 0 1 3 2- 8 Total points-Adelphi, 152; High School, 105. The complete records of the schools are as fol-Won, Lost. School. ...15 S Procklyn High. ...19 S Pratt. Following is the individual standing: Clark
Imperatori
Guest
Frothingham
Backhouse

Baseball Notes.

The Franklin A. A. has reorganized and would like to hear from first-class teams offering a suitable guarantee. Address Philip Gavin, 124 West Twenty-sixth street, Paterson, N. J. Twenty-sixth street, Paterson, N. J.

The Hamilton Club has organized and is ready to book games with all clubs whose players average 14 years, for Saturday afterneous and Sundars, Address Michael Mantel, 56 Orchard street.

The Orchard Basebail Club wish to arrange games with clubs whose players average 18 years, Watasesiugs and Asylums preferred. A sultable guarantee required. Address E. McCormack, 950 Fourth avenue, Brooslyn.

The Tuckahoe A. C. has reorganized for the sea-son, and would like to arrange games with clubs whose players average from 1s to 20 years, for saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, Address Wil-liam Cronin, Tuckahoe, N. Y. Ham Gronin, Tuckahos, N. Y.

The Mercer baseball team has reorganized and would like to hear from teams within 100 miles of this city offering a sultable guarantee for Saurday and Sunday games. Address Edward J. Hewitt, 14 Bright street, Jersey City.

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The Iron Cross haseball team of Jerney City wish to play all uniformed teams whose players are between 17 and 18 years, for Saturday afterneous and holidays; achool teams preferred, Address Frank Youngling, 49 Fairview avenue, Jersey City.

The Victor B. 9. The Victor B. B. C., formerly the Marion B. B. C., would like to meet all clubs whose players average 16 years, private schools, college teams, and our of town clubs offering a sultable guarantee preferred. Will play on Saturgas, Sungays, and holidays. Address Edward Doyle, 1971 Third avenue, The Empire A. A. has a few Saturdays and Sun days during May open for out-of-town clubs offer fig a suitable cuarantee; Watessings, Washingtons and Hoytsville B. B. C. of Hoytsville preferred Would play on Decoration Day at home. Address George E. Williams, 1370 Gates avenue, Brooklyn. George E. Williams, 1376 Gates avenue, Brooklyn.

The Scoond Victors of Sacred Heart Academy have organized for the season and would like to hear from uniformed teams whose players average between 15 and 18 years for Weinesdays, Baturdays, and Sundays in April, May, and June, Address Louis D. Gregory, Sacred Heart Academy, Westchester, N. Y.

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The schedule for Wesleyan's team has been completed. An effort was made to arrange games with brown and Cernell, but the managers of the latter teams refused to have unless Wesleyan agreed to return. Falmes. The schedule is as follows: April 7, Yale, at New Haven, 10, Holv Cross, at Worcester; 14, Boston Lesgin, at Middletown; 15, West Point, at West Point; 20 and 21, University of Vermout, at Burlington, 22 and 23, Williams, at Williamstown; 24, New York University, at Middletown; 27, Trinity, at Hartford; 28, Cuban Giants, at Middletown; 30, Dartmouth, at Middletown; 41, Amberst, at Middletown; 41, Later etc., at Middletown; 42, Williamstown; 43, Amberst, 44, Amberst, 44, Cuban Giants, at Middletown; 42, Amberst, 44, Cuban Giants, at Middletown; 42, Amberst, 44, Cuban Giants, at Middletown; 42, at Middletown; 44, Cuban Giants, at Middletown; 47, at Middletown; 48, Cuban Giants, at Middletown; 41, at Middletown; 41, and Middletown; 41, at Middletown; 42, at Middletown; 43, Cuban Giants, 44, Cuban Giants, 44, Cuban Giants, 47, and Middletown; 47, at Middletown; 48, Cuban Giants, 48, Cuban Gi

dictown: June X. Amberst, at Amberst; 4. University of Vermont, at Middetown.

The Artington A. A. will open the baseball season on May Ya with the Cuban Giants. At a meeting on Thursday night articles of incorporation were signed and \$10,000 work of sinck issued in 2,000 snares at \$5 per share. A long lease has been signed for four acres of land in the centre of Kearay to habit, and contracts have been drawn up for the immediate construction of a grant stand and bieschers to hold 2,000 persons. Plans for the building of a citib house will be acred on later. Manager James R. Deunis, who will have charge of the players, profiles to have one of the beel amateur nines in the State. The officers of the A such than are: H. U. Pierce, Presilent: F. H. Beanis, F.; at Vice-Presilent: D. C. Weeds, Jr., Third Vice-Presilent: E. R. Lent, Treasurer: J. E. Thuimen, Secretary: Jamest R. Dennis, Manager: John S. Keiley, C. W. McMride, and John Sallsbury, Trustees.

ROWING MATTERS AT HARVARD. Crimson Caremen on the Water and Auxlon

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR THE SEASON CAMBRIDGE, March 6, -This spring promises to be a season of unprecedented activity in Harvard aquaties. Not in years has a 'varsity organ, se condition at this time of year, and all the oarsmen look forward to the Poughkeepsle The great rivalry in athletics that has sprung race with the brightest hope. The advent: f Coach R. C. Lehmann, and the introduction up among the schools in the New York Inter-scholastic A. A. gives promise of an exciting by him of a new stroke and rowing system. and finally the assurance of a race with Yale,

of the 'varsity carsmen, but the enthusiasm has been contagious throughout the college. The 'varsity crew is already on the river. and, although Cornell and Yale preceded the Crimson by several weeks, this is nearly a month earlier than the local carsmen have been on the water in previous years. By the first of April the four class crews will all be rowing on the Charles, and besides these the various crows of the Weld Boat Club will be at work daily. The river should present a very lively appearance with nearly a hundred oars-

men at work this spring.

Mr. Lehmann is expected in Cambridge by the middle of the month, and until his arrival no definite plans for the spring races will be formulated. There will be, however, the regular two-mile class races early in May, and it is the intention this year to hold the Weld races on the same day, thus making a general college regatta. Any man in the university may celong to the Weld Boat Club, and as many eights are formed as the number of members permits. Coaches have been secured who will give special attention to men who have had no experience in rowing. This year the best eight men from each class and from the Graduate School will finally be selected to row a two mile race in shells over the same course as the regular class race. Then fours, pairs, and The Charles River became free from ice last week, and on Monday the float was put

The Charles River became free from ice last week, and on Monday the float was put in position. On Tuesday Capt Goodrich took his men out in nair-oars for their first spin of the season. The rowing in the tank has been of a far lighter order that, usual. The men have rowed only three or four days each week, and the work on these days has not been ariuous. The chief design has been simply to keep the men in condition and ready on Mr. Lehmann's return to take up the work where they left it in December.

The personnel of the eight has remained much the same since December. Capt. Goodrich is proving himself the best captain that darvard has had in years. Goodrich is a graduate of St. Paul's School, where he began rowing. He rowed No. 7 on his freshman eight in '95, and last year he stroked the 'varsity throughout the season. He is an exceedingly finished oarsman, and, mereover, knows how to handle his nen with great success. He has been rowing at No. 7 all this year, and is likely to continue there. Built is still stroking the eight, with Boardman as alternate. The eight's make-up this week, with the present weights of the men, is as follows:

Stroke, Buil, 1884; 7, Goodrich, 178; 6, Thomson, 170; 6, J. H. Perkins, 1861; 4, Sprague, 187; 8, Hellister, 177; 2, J. Perkins, 1980; 4, Sprague, 187; 18, Hellister, 187; 18, J. Perkins, 1861, and a have a substitute on last year's crew, has been alternating with Goodrich at No. 7. He is a powerfully built fellow, and is not an unlikely man for No. 4 later in the year. As he ulayed etd on the football team last fail, he did not row while Lebmann was here. Boardman is very likely to supplant Marvin at bow, though the latter has shown considerable improvement this year.

After the class races in May a college eight will probably be formed again and a race oulled off with the 'varsity before they go to their quariers on the Hudson. The crew will have three new boats this spring, two shells and a barre. The cedar shell being built by Clasper, the English beatuilter, will arrive

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Good Scores on the Twenty-third's Ranges in

the Annual Competitions. There were some excellent scores made at the Twenty-third Regiment Armory in Brooklyn on Friday night. Two competitions are under way on the ranges now, the Rifle Club prize match at 200, 300, and 500 yards, teams of ten men, and the officers' trophy match, teams of six men, at the same distances. Company D only shot eight men in the Rille Club match, but put up a fine total. Summary:

THE RIPLE CLUB CONTEST-COMPANY O. COMPANY D. 177 Totals......156

COMPANY 1
Corporal H. A. Lugrin 23
Capt. F. A. Weils 20
Priv. H. K. A. Onderdonk. 19
Sergeant P. B. Beckwith. 10
Private R. Connor. 19
Lieut. J. D. A. Onderdonk. 19
Private W. H. Moreko. 14
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Private V. de P. Dillon. 19
Private Q. C. Foster. 10 .175 185 OFFICERS' TROPHY MATCH-COMPANY B. Totals......161 164 Corporal E. A. Anderson. So Private A. M. Summers. 29 Lieut. W. A. Bayer. 27 Private J. W. Sweeney. 25 Corporal W. A. Robinson. 90 Sergeant W. T. Rod. 26

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DAVENPORT'S GOOD SHOOTING. He Defeats Williams, the Winner of Friday's

The pigeon-shooting tournament was continued at Riverton, N. J., yesterday, but the team match between the representatives of the Carteret Gun Club and the Philadelphia wing shots did not take place, as the Riverton shooters declined to enter a team. The result was the major portion of the day was taken up with handleap sweepstake events and a 100-bird match between A. D. Williams, the Cleveland expert who won Friday's Riverton handicap with a score of 94, and L. T. Davenport of this city, who tied Cleiand and Welch for second place in the same event with a record of 92.

In Friday's contest Williams shot from the 29-yard mark, while Davenport stood at 30 yards, Yesterday both stood at 30 yards, with a 50-yard boundary, and the match was for \$200 a side. There was a strong northwest wind, and the conditions favored the birds. Both men missed their first birds, and then Williams lost his third bird, a right driver, and had his fifteenth die outside. Davenport then lost a fast left driver in the nineteenth round, which died outside, just over the boundary. At the end of the twenty-eighth round the score was a tie, each having kined twenty-four. The men kept close together, and at the end of the fiftieth round the score was again tied, each having kined twenty-four. The men kept close together, and at the end of the fiftieth round the score was again tied, each having killed forty-three and missed seven. Davenport then settied down to work and did some marvellous shooting, not losing a bird from the forty-second to the cighty-sixth round, or a straight run of forty-eight birds. Davenport had a lead of six birds now, and Williams, seeing that he stood no chance, gave up the match. The score at the end of the eighty-sixth round was as follows: match between A. D. Williams, the Cleveland

INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORT.

ON PATH AND DIAMOND. Keen Rivalry Between the Schools of the New York Association-Fifteen Have Teams in Training-Athletes of the Long Island League Are Also Doing Lively Hustling.

season. Out of the seventeen schools fifteen are training hard. In track athletics the race has not only lent a great stimulus to the work for championship honors will undoubtedly be close between Barnard and Berkeley schools. Among the most interesting events in interscholastic circles this season are the relay races for schoolboys promoted by A. A. U. athletic clubs. At the opening games of the Xavier A. A. and Company G. Ninth Regiment, held last Monday night, with the exception of the performances of B. J. Wefers, the relay race was the star attraction, and caused widespread enthusiasm among the spectators. Pingry, Berkeley, Barnard schools, and De La Salle Institute were the contestants. Each school had a team of four of its best sprinters, each man to run two laps. Barnard School won the event without any apparent effort. W. S. Hipple, the interscholastic champion was one of the team, and he easily ran away from his field. Pingry School of New Jersey was second, with H. E. Maurel doing the best work. Berkeley School was third.

The track team of Columbia Grammar School is getting down to work in good style. J. Walker has been engaged to coach the boys, and started them to work last Tuesday. Crook, Cadenas, Halsey, Grace, Smith, and Thompson are almost certain of scoring for the school. F. Brower broke the gymnasium record for the half-mile walk last Thursday, his time being 3 minutes 46 seconds. The previous record of 4 minutes 14 seconds was held by A. Fisher. The base-ball men are rounding into shape, and Capt. Crook expects soon to have them at outdoor practice. There is some talk of en-gaging the grounds at 135th street and Lexington avenue, as the school's ground at Mott Haven is being cut through. A great many May 4, on which date the first league game will be played. The date for the school's gymnastic championships has been fixed for April 24, and the youngsters are already working for it. On that day Grace and Crook will make an attempt to break the school's high jump record of 5 feet 74 inches, made by E. Burke in 1892. Interest in the game of chess has not died out

by any means. The school is at present considering a dual tournament with Brooklyn High, each school to be represented by a team of six players. A handleap chess tournament is now in progress among the students, and Libaire, who won the championship for the school in the late interscholastic series, is scratch man. Up to date Libaire leads with a clean string of vic-tories. The standing of the contestants is as follows:

eighth annual indoor scholastic meet of the larinard School, which will be held at the Eighth Regiment Armory next Saturday afternoon. The events will be open to any preparatory school in the United States. The trackmen, under the direction of W. Hupple, are all training hard. The school may not be represented in the baseball series. The fociling is that the material should devote the time to track athleties.

The athletes of Berkeley School have started the season well. The school seems to have a mortgage on the pole value, and Paulding is in such good condition that he is likely to place the record far beyond the reach of any schoolboy. The school is also rich in hurdlers and high jumpers. As the baseball team will be practically the same as won the championship last year, its strength is no longer in doubt. The

year, its strength is no longer in doubt. The team will begin practice as soon as the weather moderates.

The athletes at Condon School are very quiet at present, but it is said that they have something up their sleeves. J. Terrill, who is coaching the baseball teams, has made arrangements to have the candidates spend their Easter vacation at Peari River, N. J., where active practice will be induiged in until the opening of the interscholastic season. Terrill says that the chances for a good team are encouraging. The steps taken by the school to establish a fencing tournament among the schools of the association has borne good fruit, and it is likely that Berkeley, Cutler, Dwight, and Condon will be contestants in a foil and broadsword contest to be held in the near future. The prizes will be a silver cup to the school soring the greatest number of points and a gold medal to the first man in each event.

Cutler School is making active preparations for the coming season in track athletics and baseball. Indoor training will begin next week, and as soon as the weather permits work will be done at Columbia Oval. A strong team of athletes will represent the school in the indoor games to be held at Madison Square Garden.

Although Drisler School does not expect to prove dangerous in any of the interscholastic proceedings, it will organize teams for the sport there is in it. There are some good athletes at the school, but the loss of Neuman and Curran is feit very much. The baseball and track teams will train at Columbia Oval. The Dramatic Club will hold an entertainment for the benefit of the Athletic Association next week.

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will hold an entertainment for the benefit of the Athletic Association next week.

Hasketbail and handball are taking up a great deal of the time of the youngsters belonging to the schools of the Long Island Interscholastic League at present, but the baseball and athletic candidates have begun preliminary training in their respective gymnasiums. Arrangements have been completed for the first annual skating races of the league to take place at the Claremont Avenue Rink on Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20. The events are: Two hundred and twenty yards, one mile, 440 yards, and 880 yards. Individual medals and a team banner are the incentives.

At a meeting of the Adelphi held last week Lewis Hall was elected captain of the track team in place of J. Beasley, resigned. H. C. Hacker was elected captain of the second basketball team. The reception committee for the annual gymnasium exhibition was appointed. The exhibition will be held in the Adelphi Academy gymnasium exhibition was appointed. The exhibition will be held in the Adelphi Academy have been doing light work in the gymnasium every afternoon.

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The lirodelyn Latin School teams are getting down to hard training. Mananger Berking is misking arrangements for a prosperous campaign on the diamond, and he has aircady arranged a promising schedule. The candidates for the track and baseball teams in fighting trim, and nothing is being left undone to again capture the baseball championship. The rivairy in athlet

all their meetings interesting.

Deputy Assistant District Attorney Griscon

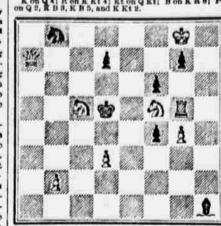
Lloyd Carpenter Griscom, Deputy Assistant District Attorney, has resigned on account of illness. He was appointed by District Attorney Occut on Jan. 1 and immediately assumed the duties of his office. It is said that he caught a

duties of his office. It is said that he caught a severe cold while driving home from the Bradley Martin ball, and his health has been so impaired that his physician advised a two months' trip to Arizons.

District Attorney Olcott said yesterday that while the resignation had been accepted, he hoped Mr. Griscom would agree to a reappointment upon his return. Since Feb. 20 Mr. Griscom has been at Haverford, Pa., at the home of his father, C. A. Griscom, who is President of the American Steamship Company.

OUR CHESS CORNER.

PROBLEM NO. 515-BY V. KOSCE, BOHUNIL, BLACK-RIGHT PIECES. Kon Q4; Ron KRt 4; Kt on Q Kt; Bon KR 8; Pa



K on K Kt S; Q on Q R 7; Kts on Q B 5 and K B 5; Ps on Q Kt 2, Q 3, and K Kt 4.

WHITE-SEVEN PIECES. White to play and mate in three moves.

PROBLEM NO. 516-BY P. P. BLAKE, MANCHES-TER, ENGLAND. BLACK-SIX PIECES.



WHITE-TEN PRICES. SOLUTION TO PROBLEM NO. 513.

-B 5, K-K 8; 2. Q-K 5 or K 4 ch, K moves; 8.

1. B.—B6, K.—B4; 2. Q.—K4, P.—Kt 6; 3. Q.—Q4 mate.

1. B.—B6, K.—B5; 2. Q.—K4 ch, K.—B4; 8. Q x B P
or Q.—Q4 mate.

1. B.—B, P.—K; 6; 8. B.—B3, any; 8. Q x B P mate.

1. B.—B6, B.—K; 7; 2. B x B, any; 8. Q x B P mate.

1. B.—B6, any other; 2. Q.—K8, any; 8. Q x B P mate.

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1. B.—B6, any other; 2. B. Maron, New York; Brooklyn; 8. M. Mauser, New York; Q. O. Flensbury, Boston; Just in Time, New York; Q. O. Flensbury, Baston; J. B. Maroni, New York; Q. O. M. Mchaels, Brooklyn; B. M. Mauser, New York; W. Witter, New York; J. B. Maroni, New York; W. Witter, New York; J. B. Manning, Philadelphia, Pa., Grover's Lil, Danbury, Conn.; Dr. A. H. Baldwin, Norwalk, Conn.; Sweet Slxteen, New York; Juck Ms. Out, Stapleton, S. 1.; Bay State, Worrester, Mass., Frank Cromwell, Brooklyn; C. L. Rigby, New York; W. J. Ferrits, Newcaste, Del.; White Kinght, Dunwoodie, N. Y.; Benjamin Welles, East Hartford, Conn.; H. L. Dickerson, New York; F. Yokel, Meriden, Conn.; J. Roberts, New York; J. Sichlerry, New York; R. B. Phillipsburg, N. J.; M. T. McMahon, Belleville, N. J.; Thos. R. Bobtinson, Brooklyn.

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SOLUTION TO PROBLEM NO. 514. 1. B − K 2. P × B 2. Q × P. mate.
1. B − K 2. K × moves: 2. K − B 3. mate.
1. B − K 2. F × B 3. 2. K − Q 3. mate.
1. B − K 2. P × Q 2. K − Q 4. mate.
1. B − K 2. P − B 3. 2. K − Q 4. mate.
1. B − K 3. P − Q 7. x P 1. 2. Q − K 1. mate.
1. B − K 3. P − Q 7. x P 1. 2. Q − K 1. mate.
1. B − K 3. B moves x P 1. 2. K x P. mate.
1. B − K 3. P − K 1. 7. 2. K 1 − B 2. mate.
1. B − K 3. P − K 1. 7. 2. K 1 − B 2. mate.
1. B − K 3. P × B 1. 2. K x P mate.

1. B-K 3. P. x B 1. 2. Kt x-B 2. make.
1. B-K 3. P. x B 1. 2. Kt x-P, make.
Correct solutions received from Fred Carter, Roston;
Yet Another, New York; Once More, New York; Fred
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Huyder, Brooklyn; A. M. Wardsoam, Brooklyn;
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Plemsbury, Boston; Just in Time, New York; Take Me
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Brooklyn; H. S. Walters, New York; W. Winter, New
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Worcaser, Mass., Hearty Stoliberg, New York; HeekEmil, New York; Robert Cook, Springfield, Moss.,
Juck Me Out, Stapbeton, S. I.; James L. Hyland, New
York;
R. B. B., Phillipsburg, N. J., and A. S. Richmond,

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R. B. B. Phillinsburg, N. J., and A. S. Richmond,
Midlictown, N. Y., forwarded additional correct solutions to Nos. 511 and 512, and Arthur Hassell, Rahway,
N. J., Elek Emil, New York, J. N. Merriman, Cifton
Forge, Va. and F. Warwick, St. Paul, Minn, forwarded additional correct solutions to No. 512, the
latter also to No. 510

CORRESPONDENCE.

R mate."

Says sweet Sixteen, New York: "Der chall is outd.

Nit. Well. well. just think! twenty seven, actual
count, of Tink byn's clever experts to be caught in a
neat little trap like that. This is the worst storm a
wer saw, and the only one to escape it, outside of a
couple of amateurs like myself, was Grover's Lil. No.
512 is perfectly sound. If Q-B, it x Q P there is no
mate. The twenty seven clever ones will have to try
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mote. The twenty seven clever ones will have to try ones more. Stapleton S. I.—Forward the key moves only. C. L. New York.—Here are the moves which constitute the Greeo Counter Gambit: 1. P. K. 4. P.—K. 4. F. J. Williss, Waterbury, Conn., informs The Sur that a chess and checker club was organized at 50 diank street, Waterbury, Conn., on Feb. 20, the first officers being the following: Dr. Goodenough, President; F. Moon. Secretary, F. Albert, Treasurer.

White Kuight, Dunwoodie, N. Y.—The Sux does not know. White Knight, Dunwoodle, S. 1.—, no.

C. F. M., New York.—At Brentano's. There is no
heas magazine published in America.

Chesslat, Sau Francisco.—Your question was anowered a fortnight ago.

A. A. W., New York.—Lasker and Pillsbury have

weren a rotting ago.

A. A.W. New York.—Lasker and Pilisbury have layed alice match games in all, one in this city, one at Suremberg, and six at St. Petersburg, it tiese games Lasker won four and a half and Pilisury four and a half.
A Constant Reader, New York.—At any foreign colsisiler.
Junior, New York.—You need no answer to your riticism on Nos. 511 and 510, as the letters given bove explain everything. Zeckendorf, however, must be taken seriously. Don't you know that a pawn in reaching an eighth square can be transformed into my piece you like? You do not require your bishops of the position again.
B. Murshal. West Point, N. Y.—The Syx does not now. Your other question is answered to A. A. W., in the same of two.

New York.

10. H. Holmes. Heboken.—Lasker beat Steinitz by ten games to two, five games being drawn. Lasker and Tachizorin played one game only at St. Peters and Tachizorin played one game only at St. Peters burg. It was win by Lasker and duly published in This Six. The first games of the Hastings tournament were published in This Six on Aug. 14. What do you mean by first international cliese games?

Oliver A.M. Evesson, Brooklyn.—The dues in the Metropolitan Chess Club are \$10 a year, those in the Manhattan Chess Club \$16. You may become a member by applying to the Secretary of the club.

J. S. Merriman, Cliffton Forge, Va. says: "The chess column is worth our subscription to Thi Srx."

John A. Kinnier, Lynchburg, Va., writes as follows: "In your chess column of the 21st inst. I. note a correspondent from Virginia with the initials C.M. S. Clifton Forge, Va. I. will thank you very much if you will favor us with his name in full by mail. My object in asking for this information is merely to put myself in communication with him in the interest of Virginia chess. We have a State chess arganization which has been languishing for several years back. In fact we have had but one meeting in four or five years. If we can gather enough new material our annual tournaments might be resumed. With this end in view levers a sharp look out for new chess players whenever they appear on the surface. I am much pleased with your column, and I look forward to its weekly spread with much delight."

Sidney H. Wood, Bridgeport, Conn., writes to The Sex: "I derive a great deal of pleasure from your admirable chess department."

Thomas R. Robbisson, Brooklyn, says: "Thanks for your offer on Mr. Zeckendorf's problem, of which is shall not have to avail myself, having at last 'tumbled."

What fools these mortals be."

R. Monrad, Chicago, says: "Jesperseus's problem is a very fine one, as all of his problems are. The gen-

problems."

Silk Boston, Mass.—Who are M. and 2.5

Appended is one of two games, as played by correspondence between G. W. Dwinell, New York, and C. H. Pratt, Biauvelt, N. Y., and forwarded to TRE Sur by the former, in the accompanying letter Dwinell says that he lost the other game. The score:

THE MANHATTAN HANDICAP.

Flay in the handleap tournament of the Manhattan Chess Ciub has been slow during the last formight. H. Rosenfeld, with fourteen wins, is now in the lead, closely followed by Jasnogrodsky, with 18½, and the young Russian, Souroin, with 12½. Here are the | Scores up to date:
Players	Won.	Lost.	Players	Won.	Lost.	
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Amory	8	10	Orchard	5	6	5
Asches	7	4	Resimont	1	1	
Beramit	1	11	H. Rosenfeld	14	2	
Decharty	5	8	Schmidt	10	4	
Docoh.	4	9	Sournin	12	2	5
Pitch	6	6	Stevens	6	6	6
Hanham	8	8	Wood	5	7	
Jasnogrodsky	13	2	3	Rubino	0	13
Following is the game as played between Sournin and Jasnogrodsky:						
QUEEN'S GAMBIT.						
SOURNIN	JASNOGRODSKY	JASNOGRO				

OURNIN, JARNOOROBSKY, SOURNIS, Black, White, 1 P-Q4 P-Q4 23 B-Rt 5 7 29 P-Q B 4 P X P 24 Kt-R4 1 7 29 P-Q B 4 P X P 24 Kt-R4 1 7 29 P-Q B 4 P X P 24 Kt-R4 1 7 29 R-Rt 5 7 P-K 4 B-Rt 5 7 P-K 8 B-Rt 7 B-Rt 7 P-K 8 B-Rt 7 B-Rt 7 P-K 8 B-Rt 7 B-Rt FOR STATE HONORS.

Following is another selection of games from the New York State Chess Association meeting on Feb. 22: QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED.

| QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED. | RUTH. | RICH. | R This game decided the second prize in the generation

KING'S GAMBIT DECLINED.

KING BISHOP'S GAME.

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED. GIUOCO PIANO.

White. Black. White. Black.

| St. W. C. | St. W. C. | St. W. C. | Houden | St. W. C. | Housen | St. W. C. | Housen | St. W. | Salvage | Salvage | St. W. | Salvage |

ECHOES FROM THE CABLE MATCH.

been a change for the worse in the condition of Steinitz at Moscow.

ECHOES FROM THE CABLE MATCH.

Rev. A. B. Skipworth, Honorable Secretary to the Counties Chesa Association, writes from Tetford Rectory, Hornoastle, to the London Sporting Life to point out that this contest, which ended in favor of England, was not in the strict sense an international match, for which a stronger English team would have been chosen, but a game between members of the British Chesa Club and representatives of America.

The Standard gives the following story: "At 11:85 the Fresident of the Brooklyn Chesa Club Mr. Marean, telegraphed: 'Will you permit us to advise Hodges to offer to draw.' Sir George Newnes replied: "Certainly, If you wish." Wherupon the reply came: 'Hodges offers draw Do you accept?' Bellingham's consent being cabled, Mr. Marean telegraphed: 'Congratulations upon your velory, with heartlest good will of both team and club."

"Sir George Newnes sent our despatch—Warmest thanks for your message. Last year you defeated us; this year the pendulum swung round to our side. Every one here is agreed that we could not have played against more sportsmanlike opponents, and we all take away with us the most delightul recollections of our relationships with you. We have just given "three cheers for American players are closely bound to the British players by these matches, of which we hope for many more said may the best team always win.—Markan, Pillischen."

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It is rather peculiar that the management of the British umptre (Prof. litler, on behalf of the British, the proceeding

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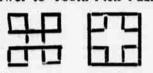
FOR THE PARLOR—Louis XIV., Louis XVI. and Old Colonial styles will be at the head. This condition will be particularly grateful to lovers of art combinations in furniture. The fabrics will run in Satin Damasks and Brocatelles, with a leaning toward unique designs; but the chief fancy will be for green velour, with a relief here and there in silk embroidery, thus securing a dainty and eye-pleasing effect. The woods will mainly present the better grades of solid mahogany, and birch with mahogany finish. Instead of five pieces to the suit, three pieces will obtain: In the large overstuffed, or Turkish suits, there will be little, if any, change; though the ideas along this line may rest largely with subdued

FOR THE BEDROOM-Women spend about half their lives in their bedchambers; and that's the particular reason why the promoters of furniture styles and requirements pay extraordinary attention to the furniture for this room. Here birdseye maple, mahogany, curly birch and oak will predominate, with a decided leaning toward the pretty birdseye. Brass beds will also be popular, and a birdseye maple dresser, chiffonier and toilet table will create a sensational pleasure in the minds of all who see them. The mirror will be of the cheval order.

FOR THE DINING ROOM -Here, where we eat, drink and are merry, entertain our friends and "feel at peace with the whole world," oak and mahogany will hold full sway, with the favor greatly with oak, on account, of its popularity. The crotch veneers on a plain surface will prove a very acceptable and taking innovation. Old Colonial effects will be courted for richness' sake. For style it is doubtful whether Old Colonial can ever be superseded. The Old Flemish will, likewise, be popular. The furniture experts say it will have another great reign a year or two hence.

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History of John R. Gentry.

From the Trotter and Pacer.

John R. Gentry, 2:0012, was bred in Kansas, and first saw light at the farm of H. G. Toler. North Wichita, May 17, 1889. His sire, Ash-North Wichita. May 17, 1889. His sire, Ashland Wilkes, and the sire of his dam, Wedgewood, were bred in Kentucky. When the son of Ashland Wilkes and Dame Wood was a few days old he was hamed Neely Todd, after a friend of Mr. Toler's living in Leavenworth, James S. Ramey of Missouri was that spring working for Mr. Toler, and when Neely Todd was only a month old Ramey bought him for \$500. Myron McHenry, a brother of the coming pacing wonder, was then on the farm, a year old, and phenomenally fast for his age, hence the younger brother was looked upon as being specially valuable. In 1889 Neely Todd's name was charged to John B. Gentry, after a promiser

s500. Myron McHenry, a brother of the coming pacing wonder, was then on the farm, a year old, and thenomenally fast for his age, hence the younger brother was looked upon as being specially valuable. In 1880 Neely Todd's name was changed to John R. Gentry, after a prominent citizen and stock raiser of that State, for whom Ramey's brother was working.

The colt was not broken until the spring when he was two years old, and after being handled four mentita a quarter in forty-seven seconds—a \$108 gait—was the fastest be could show. This was rather a poor showing for a youngster that had cost so much, and Mr. Ramey says that he was "discussed, and turned the old out."

In February of his three-year-old form Genty was gain put in harness and drives, and the April I was trained at the trot, but as he then showed an inclination to pace, hobbles were put upon him, and he was educated in the diagonal gait. He came fast, and in August started in his first race at Higginsville. Mo., which he won, nacing the third heat in 2.41. In his last race of that year he west not raced, or even shod, but was jogged about eight miles daily.

The first that the word again heard of Gentry was at Petrott, in July of '94, when Ramey started his colt, then 5 years old, in the 2:12 pace, which he won in 2:13, 2:11, 2:09b, and tipped over the pool hox at the same time.

After ather performances of more or less brilliancy he passed to the owner-ship of Holt & Scott, and in '95, driven by McHeary, John R. Gentry was constantly in the public mind, constituting one of the greatest two of pacers ever known. In February of '96 he was sold at auction in New York for \$7,500 to William Simpson, and during this last season, with Andrews as a reinsman, he marked on the turr ouletin the heretofore unknown record of 2:009g. In Docember Gentry was taken back again to the suction ring, and Lewis G. Tewksoury, a New York banker, bought him for \$19,900.

100,384 Rheumatism radically cured in every case since 1861 with Famous Prescription 100,384, prepared by MULLER, 74 University place, N. Y. Muscular, Gouty, Sciatte, Inflammatory, &c. Pleasant to take. 75c. Ber.; Druggists. R. Monrad, Chicago, says: "Jesperseus's problem is a very fine one, as all of his problems are. The gen-tieman is a minister at a small village church in Den-